

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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NATHANIAL CHARLES HARRIEL, SR.,

Plaintiff,

v.

RENO POLICE DEPARTMENT, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:22-cv-00419-ART-CSD

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION (ECF NO. 12) AND DISMISSING WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Pro se Plaintiff Nathanial Charles Harriel, Sr., brings this action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 complaining of unlawful arrest and unlawful search by Officer Sanchez of the Reno Police Department. Before the Court is the Report and Recommendation ("R&R") of United States Magistrate Judge Craig S. Denney (ECF No. 12), recommending the dismissal of this action without prejudice because Mr. Harriel failed to comply with a court order requiring him to update the court on the status of his underlying criminal case, (ECF No. 11). Plaintiff had until September 5, 2023 to file an objection to Judge Denney's R&R. (ECF No. 12 at 4.) To date, no objection has been filed. For this reason, and as explained below, the Court adopts the R&R and dismisses the present action without prejudice.

The Court "may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Where a party fails to object to a magistrate judge's recommendation, the Court is not required to conduct "any review at all . . . of any issue that is not the subject of an objection." *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985); *see also United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1116 (9th Cir. 2003) ("De novo review of the magistrate judges' findings and recommendations is required if, but *only* if, one

or both parties file objections to the findings and recommendations.") (emphasis in original); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72, Advisory Committee Notes (1983) (providing that the Court "need only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.").

Because there is no objection, the Court need not conduct de novo review and is satisfied Judge Denney did not clearly err. Here, Judge Denney recommends dismissal without prejudice because Mr. Harriel failed to comply with a court order (ECF No. 11) requiring him to update the Court on the status of his underlying criminal case. Mr. Harriel has previously failed to comply with a similar order and has not made any contact with the Court since February of this year. (ECF Nos. 7 (granting Mr. Harriel until May 5, 2023 to amend his Complaint and update the Court on the status of his criminal case).)

A court may dismiss an action based on a party's failure to comply with a court order. Ferdik v. Bonzelet, 963 F.2d 1258, 1260-61 (9th Cir. 1992). In determining whether to dismiss an action, a Court must consider: (1) the public's interest in expeditious resolution of litigation; (2) the court's need to manage its docket; (3) the risk of prejudice to the defendants; (4) the public policy favoring disposition of cases on their merits; and (5) the availability of less drastic alternatives. Thompson v. Hous. Auth. of City of Los Angeles, 782 F.2d 829, 831 (9th Cir. 1986); Henderson v. Duncan, 779 F.2d 1421, 1423-24 (9th Cir. 1986); Malone v. U.S. Postal Service, 833 F.2d 128, 130 (9th Cir. 1987); Ferdik, 963 F.2d at 1260-61; Ghazali v. Moran, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). Judge Denney considered each of these factors and found that factors (1), (2), (3), and (5) weighed in favor of dismissal. (ECF No. 12 at 3.) While Judge Denney found factor (4) weighed against dismissal, he concluded it was outweighed by the other factors. He also concluded that dismissal without prejudice was appropriate in light of the Court's prior warning to Mr. Harriel that he risked dismissal if he continued to ignore the Court's orders. (Id.) The Court agrees with Judge Denney

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| 1 | and concludes that he did not clearly err in recommending dismissal. Having |
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| 2 | reviewed the R&R and the record in this case, the Court will adopt the R&R in |
| 3 | full. |
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| 6 | It is therefore ordered that Judge Denney's Report and Recommendation |
| 7 | (ECF No. 12) is accepted and adopted in full. |
| 8 | It is further ordered that this case is dismissed, without prejudice. The |
| 9 | Court Clerk is directed to enter judgment accordingly and close the case. |
| 10 | Dated this 21st Day of November 2023. |
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